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Box PATENT APPLICATION

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Re: New U.S. CIP Patent Appln. Our Ref: 48609CP

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a Continuation-In-Par application of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/497,129, filed February 3, 2000 of:

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entitled: WAVEGUIDE PLATE AND PROCESS FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND MICROTITRE PLATE

Enclosed are:

- Specification, including 92 claims (pages 76, plus 1. specification front page).
- Nine Sheets of X Formal ____ Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-15.
- X Declaration and Power of Attorney (unexecuted). 3.
- Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document CH 2000/160/00, filed in <u>Switzerland</u> on <u>January 27, 2000</u>. A certified copy of the priority document was filed in parent application Serial No. 09/497,129.
- Benefit is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120 of pending 5. U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/497,129 filed on February, 3, 2000.

The filing fee is being deferred.

Respectfully submitted,

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